MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR: May I know whether there is not a circular to the effect that officers should not be kept in a place for more than three years?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: I am not aware that the Assistant Inspectors of Schools are included in that circular.

MR. MURUKUMPUZHA V. KUNJUKRISHNAN (*Neyyattinkara* cum *Trivandrum*): May I know whether the particular officer is an honest officer or not?

MR. M. SIVATHANU PILLAI (*Tovala* cum *Agastisvaram*): Sir, the question is irrelevent.

PRESIDENT: Presumably if the officer is honest he will be kept in a particular place for a longer period.

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: I have found him quite honest.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: Is there any complaint made against the particular officer?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: There was one false complaint.

MR. MURUKUMPUZHA V. KUNJUKRISHNAN: May I know whether there is not a circular to the effect that officers discharging their duties properly should not be transferred?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: I am not aware of any such circular. In any case there is no proposal now to transfer the officer concerned.

PRESIDENT: There is a circular now issued by Government quite recently in which it has been pointed out that there is no compulsion on the part of Heads of Departments to go on transferring persons, so that, the officers may acquire more local knowledge which is necessary in the interest of Service.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: Does it apply to the judicial officers?

PRESIDENT: It applies to all officers.

St. Paul's M. S. C. English Middle School, Nemom.

80. ***MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Director of Public Instruction sent an order to the manager (Rev. Fr. Mar Ivanios, the Archbishop of Trivandrum) on 7-10-1115 stating that the teachers of St. Paul's M. S. C. English Middle School, Nemom should not be relieved until further orders;

(*b*) why that order was not obeyed; and

(*c*) whether the matter was enquired into?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) & (*c*) The matter was enquired into and it was found that the manager of the school was not to blame.

Sales of cardamom in the State.

81. * **MR. KOTTALIL P. ABRAHAM:** Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have passed any and what measures till 1-5-1116 "so as to carry out arrangements for securing contracts for sales of cardamom in the State itself"?

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